IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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Plaintiff,

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CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:21-CV-04180

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL, OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL; ROBERT D. MANFRED, JR.; MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PLAYER ASSOCIATION, et al.,

Defendants.

RULE 7.1 DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OF DEFENDANTS ESPN, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS AND USA TODAY

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1, Defendants ESPN Inc. ("ESPN"), The Associated Press (the "AP")¹ and USA Today, a division of Gannett Satellite Information Network, LLC ("USA Today"),² make the following disclosures:

The AP has no parent corporation, and no publicly held corporation owns 10 percent or more of the AP.

The Walt Disney Company is a publicly held corporation and parent corporation of ESPN and owns more than 10 percent of its stock.

Hearst Communications is a publicly held corporation and owns more than 10 percent of the stock of ESPN.

BlackRock Inc. is a publicly held corporation and owns more than 10 percent of the stock of Gannett Co., Inc., which is the sole member of Gannett Satellite Information Network, LLC.

¹ The name of The Associated Press is misstated in the Complaint.

² The name of USA Today is misstated in the Complaint.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 18, 2022, a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument was filed with the Clerk's Office using the Court's CM/ECF system for filing and transmittal to all registered counsel of record and registered pro se parties in this matter.

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